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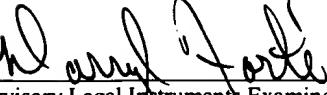### *No New Time Period for Reply is Provided*

The amendment document filed on <u>April 28, 2006</u> fails to provide the corrective action required by the **prior Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)** mailed on <u>March 30, 2006</u>. The amendment, including both the originally filed amendment and the amendment filed in response to the prior notice, is still considered to be non-compliant under 37 CFR 1.121. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the item(s) listed below is required. **Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment document must be re-submitted.** 37 CFR 1.121(h).

The period for reply continues to run from the mailing date of the prior Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. The corrections listed below must be timely filed to avoid abandonment of the application. No new time period for reply is provided in this communication. See the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 714.03.

If the period for reply set forth in the prior Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant: (1) corrects the deficiency, **and** (2) obtains an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no case may an applicant reply outside the SIX (6) MONTH statutory period or obtain an extension for more than FIVE (5) MONTHS beyond the date for reply set forth in the prior Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121).

THE FOLLOWING CHECKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:

☐ 1. Amendments to the specification:
    ☐ A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.
    ☐ B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.
    ☐ C. Other:

☐ 2. Abstract:
    ☐ A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72.
    ☐ B. Other:

☐ 3. Amendments to the drawings:
    ☐ A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d).
    ☐ B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings showing amended figures, without markings, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required.
    ☐ C. Other:

☒ 4. Amendments to the claims:
    ☒ A. A complete listing of <u>all</u> of the claims is not present.
    ☐ B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims)
    ☒ C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following 7 status identifiers: (Original), (Currently amended), (Canceled), (Previously presented), (New), (Not entered), (Withdrawn) and (Withdrawn-currently amended).
    ☐ D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order.
    ☒ E. Other: *Only pages 2,4 and 6 were submitted. Please supply all pages.*

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